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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[Docket No. EP 519 (Sub-No. 4)]

NOTICE OF NATIONAL GRAIN CAR COUNCIL MEETING

AGENCY: Surface Transportation Board.

ACTION: Notice of National Grain Car Council meeting.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given of a meeting of the National Grain Car Council (NGCC), pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C., app. 2 § 10(a)(2).

DATE: The meeting will be held on Thursday, September 17, 2015, beginning at 1:00 p.m. (CDT), and is expected to conclude at 5:00 p.m. (CDT).

ADDRESS: The meeting will be held at the Westin Kansas City at Crown Center, 1 East Pershing Road, Kansas City, MO 64108. Phone (816) 474-4400.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Fred Forstall at (202) 245-0241 or alfred.forstall@stb.dot.gov. [Assistance for the hearing impaired is available through the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at: (800) 877-8339].

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION: The NGCC was established by the Interstate Commerce Commission (ICC) as a working group to facilitate private-sector solutions and recommendations to the ICC (and now the Board) on matters affecting rail grain car availability and transportation. Nat'l Grain Car Supply—Conference of Interested Parties, EP 519 (ICC served Jan. 7, 1994).

The general purpose of this meeting is to discuss rail carrier preparedness to transport the 2015 grain harvest. Agenda items include the following: remarks by Board Chairman Daniel R. Elliott III, Board Vice Chairman and NGCC Co-Chairman Ann D. Begeman, and Commissioner Deb Miller; a review of the upcoming harvest by Bill Hudson, founder of The ProExporter Network®; and follow-up responses, as well as discussions of related issues, by railroad, shipper, and manufacturer/lessor response panels. The full agenda, along with other information regarding the NGCC, is posted on the Board's website at http://www.stb.dot.gov/stb/rail/graincar_council.html.

The meeting, which is open to the public, will be conducted pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. app. 2; Federal Advisory Committee Management, 41 C.F.R. pt. 102-3; the NGCC Charter; and Board procedures.

Public Comments: Members of the public may submit written comments to the NGCC at any time. Comments should be addressed to NGCC, c/o Fred Forstall, Surface Transportation Board, 395 E Street, S.W., Washington, DC 20423-0001 or alfred.forstall@stb.dot.gov. Any further communications about this meeting will be announced through the STB website.

Decided: August 27, 2015.

By the Board, Rachel D. Campbell, Director, Office of Proceedings.